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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ESTC, SF

SUBJECT: EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION ON BELL HELICOPTERS

REFERENCE: (A) PRETORIA 4304

(B) BEWT/OEA COMPLIANCE DIVISION CASE 13-50-83

1. MANAGING DIRECTOR ASTRA AIRCRAFT, JOHN NASH, ADVISED EMBASSY OCTOBER 7 THAT EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION ON BELL MODEL 206B HELICOPTER NOT YET ACTED UPON. HE ASKED IF EMBASSY ABLE EXPEDITE AS BUYER, PRETORIA EARTHWORKS (PTY) LTD., NOW THREATENING TO CANCEL ORDER AND SUBSTITUTE FRENCH AIRCRAFT WHICH AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY. NASH EXPLAINED THAT ONE OF TWO BELL HELICOPTERS ORDERED BY ASTRA HAS BEEN SHIPPED BUT THAT IT HAS AMBULANCE CONFIGURATION AND HENCE DOES NOT MEET PRETORIA EARTHWORKS REQUIREMENTS. MACHINE BEING HELD UP IS THE ONE WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN SOLD TO PRETORIA EARTHWORKS, A LOCAL CIVILIAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. SINCE END-USER THIS MACHINE NOT IN DOUBT, RECOMMEND EXPORT LICENSE BE ISSUED SOONEST.

2. FYI: NASH REITERATED ASSURANCES THAT THE AIRCRAFT ON WHICH EXPORT LICENSE HAS BEEN ISSUED WOULD NOT BE SOLD SA MILITARY OR

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RE-EXPORTED WITHOUT PRIOR USG APPROVAL. HE SAID HE BELIEVES

THIS PLANE WILL BE SOLD TO JOHANNESBURG CITY COUNCIL FOR
INCORPORATION INTO CITY AMBULANCE SERVICE, BUT ADDED THAT HE HAS
NOT YET RECEIVED FIRM COMMITMENT FROM COUNCIL.
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